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**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 5, 2004, Applicants request reconsideration of the rejections in view of the following comments.

Applicant believes that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required at this time. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 23-1951.